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**MILWAUKEE COUNTY EMS
PRACTICAL SKILL
MOVEMENT OF A SUPINE**

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PATIENT USING A SCOOP STRETCHER

Purpose: To enable movement of a patient with a suspected spinal cord injury while maintaining rigid stabilization of the spinal column		Indications: Patients with a suspected potential for spinal cord injury	
Advantages: Enables movement of patient to long board with spinal stabilization Prevent further injury	Disadvantages: Immobilizes patient supine leaving airway easily compromised if patient vomits Straps may restrict respiratory effort	Complications: Pinched skin	Contraindications: None

